

# WORSHIP *SCHEDULE*

**9:00 AM**

**Song Leader:**  
Bailey Steger

**Scripture Reading:**  
David Bansemer  
1Thessalonians 4:3-7

**Prayer:**  
Kevin Hayes

**Lesson:**  
Stacey Durham

**Title:**  
*Called Out of Darkness*  
*Lesson 2: Called from*  
*Immorality to Purity*

**Closing Prayer:**  
Doug Thweatt

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**Wednesday, February 10**

**Song Leader:**  
Nate Durham

**Invitation:**  
Alex Bansemer

**Prayer:**  
Bailey Steger

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**Lord's Supper Preparation**  
**February:** Long  
**March:** Wright/Huffines

**11:00 AM**

**Song Leader:**  
Alex Bansemer

**Scripture Reading:**  
Al Cotten  
Psalm 145:1-7

**Prayer:**  
Louis Long

**Lord's Supper:**  
Andrew Durham  
Nate Durham

**Lesson:**  
Ron Hunt

**Title:**  
*Song Service - Invitation*

**Announcements:**  
John Fix

**Closing Prayer:**  
Thom Steger

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**Usher for This Week:**  
Nate Durham

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## Continual Devotion

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In Acts 2:42, we read that the very first members of the church “were continually devoting themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.” In this same pattern, we assemble today to devote ourselves to God just as the church has always done since its beginning.

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## To Our Visitors

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Welcome to our assemblies. Thank you for joining us as we offer worship and praise to our God in heaven and build up one another in the most holy faith.

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### SERVICE TIMES

#### SUNDAYS:

WORSHIP: 9:00 AM  
BIBLE STUDY: 10:00 AM  
WORSHIP: 11:00 AM

#### WEDNESDAYS:

BIBLE STUDY: 7:00 PM

## Psychology and the Word of God

The word “psychology” comes from the Greek words *psychē*, meaning “soul,” and *logos*, meaning “word.” In this way, psychology may be defined as words about the soul. So then, there is no better source of information about genuine psychology than the word of God, for it “is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart” (Heb. 4:12).

Regrettably, secular psychologists do not use God’s word in their counselling. Instead, their resources are the writings of men, many of whom are utterly opposed to God and His word. For example, Sigmund Freud, the world-famous inventor of psychoanalysis, said of himself, “I am a God-hating Jew.” The teachings of Jesus, he said, are “psychologically impossible and useless for our lives.”

How then can Christians trust the advice given by secular psychologists? When the word of God is rejected in favor of the word of man, the answers are always wrong. Such answers are best avoided, for the Scripture says in Psalm 1:1-2:

<sup>1</sup>How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers!  
<sup>2</sup>But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night.

Rather than secular psychology, people who have problems in their souls (*psychē*) need counselling in the word of God. Jesus says, “Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls” (Matt. 11:28-29). Far from “useless” as Freud said, learning from Jesus gives the answers troubled souls need.

To find those answers, the labels applied by psychologists must be shed so that problems can be identified for what they really are. Phobias are fears; anxiety disorders are worries; intermittent explosive disorder is anger; sexual addiction is fornication; gambling addiction is covetousness; co-dependency is fear of man; low self-esteem is pride and selfishness; and LGBTQ issues are homosexuality and sensuality. When such problems are correctly identified, they can be matched with the Bible’s solutions for them so that those who are troubled may find hope.

Equipped with God’s answers rather than man’s, spiritually minded Christians are the counsellors that troubled souls need. This work is described in the New

Testament as admonition, which means “setting forth understanding.” Concerning admonition, Paul wrote, “I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able also to admonish one another” (Rom. 15:14). Indeed, it is the knowledge of God’s word rather than man’s wisdom that makes one a good counsellor.

None of this is to say that the science of psychology is completely bogus or that its counsellors can never be helpful. Rather, it simply means that any counsel devoid of God’s word cannot make a person whole. The only way to achieve this outcome is through the sound teachings of the gospel of Jesus Christ. In fact, this is the goal of biblical admonition as stated by Paul in Colossians 1:28:

We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.

So then, if any troubled soul would be made whole, then he needs the psychology, the “words for the soul,” that comes only from God.

*Stacey E. Durham*

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## news & notes

- The 11AM service today will be devoted mostly to singing.
- Videos of all sermons are on our Facebook page. Links to these are available on the Creekview website. You do not have to have a Facebook account to see them.
- Please keep the following members in your prayers: Barbara Atkins, Jeri Baker, Shirley Buchanon, Kay Cook, Donella Jones, Kay Lanius, and Shirley Smith. Also remember Jody Baize, Mishae Nevils, Wayne Wright, Dot Long’s sister Melissa, and Pat Ridings’ brother.

### reading plan

Sunday - Romans 11-12  
Monday - Genesis 20-23  
Tuesday - Judges 1-6  
Wednesday - Psalms 15-17  
Thursday - Job 11-12  
Friday - Isaiah 29-33  
Saturday - Matthew 14-16

### meetings

*None to announce*